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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (IF REQUIRED)

Applicant is filing a divisional application of U.S. Application Serial No. 10/566,921 today in response to the June 15, 2009 Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment. Since the divisional application is being filed within the one-month reply period set by the Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment in the '921 application, no extension of time is believed to be required to ensure co-pendency between the present application and the divisional application.

If, and only if, an extension of time is required in the '921 application to ensure its co-pendency with the concurrently-filed divisional application, please consider this paper a petition for the required extension and apply any charges to deposit account 06-1050, referencing Docket No. 15682-0017US1.

Respectfully submitted,

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